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INCOMING!

Dole Misses Boat on Family and Medical Leave

4th Anniversary of Dole's Anti-Family Vote

Dole Opposes Family and Medical Leave Law to this day, in spite of overwhelming bi-partisan acknowledgement that this law is really helping hard working American families. Experts, economists -- even the GOP Senators who serve on the Commission on Family Leave say this family friendly law works -- and doesn't hurt American business or our economy.

President Clinton and the Democrats in Congress Support Family and Medical Leave. In fact, after years of vetoes, stonewalling and opposition by the GOP, President Clinton eagerly signed the Family and Medical Leave Act (authored by DNC Chairman Chris Dodd) into law. This common sense law keeps our families together in times of challenge and crisis.

Families shouldn't have to choose between caring for a sick relative and their job and they shouldn't have to face bankruptcy when taking care of a sick relative. Today, on the 4th anniversary of Bob Dole's incredible opposition to this family friendly law, Democrats are meeting around the country to expand this good law to include parent teacher conferences and preventive doctor visits. Sounds like more good medicine for America's hard working families.

Bob Dole Takes "Leave" of His Senses Opposes FMLA

- 1996 - Dole Makes (another) Speech Against the Family and Medical Leave Law (9/7/96)
- 1993 - Dole Actively Opposes and leads a filibuster against Family and Medical Leave
- 1992 - Senator Bob "Filibuster" Dole does his best to defeat Family and Medical Leave "I don't think this has anything to do with Family Values."
- 1991 - Dole Even Opposes a moderate GOP compromise effort to passed Family and Medical Leave
- 1988 - Dole Filibusters Family and Medical Leave -- for NINE Days. It kills the bill. "...this is not an urgent matter," says then Senator Dole.